Increase in Cotton Production

2815. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to raise the overall production of cotton from the present level of 77-78 lakh to 95 lakh hales by the end of the Seventh Five-Year Plan;

(b) if go, the measures proposed to be taken to achieve the Seventh plan target in cotton production;

(c) the total hectares of land proposed to be brought under cotton cultivation in the above plan period; and

(d) what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDULAL CHANDRAKAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Production and distribution of certified seed, distribution of plant protection equipment, aerial spraying against pests and diseases, demonstrations on improved production technology, fixation of support price and •arrangements for procurement of kapas.

(c) About 80 lakh hectares.

(d) :

	(lakhs hs.)
t'i Established irrigated areas .	18.00
(2) Area in ctnal commands .	5.00
(3) Rnin-fcd areas . . .	56.20
(4.) Non-traditional sreas and rice fellows . . .	0.80

Soil conservation measures

2816. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state the names of the catchment areas in Orissa where comprehensive soil conservation measures have been undertaken during the Sixth Five-Year Plan period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDULAL CHANDRAKAR); Comprehensive soil conservation measures were undertaken in the catchments of Hirakud. Mechkund-Sileru and Ren-gali—Mandira during the Sixth Five-Year Plan in Orissa under the centrally sponsored scheme of soil conservation in the catchments of river valley projects.

Six day week for C.P.W.D. staff

2817. SHRI D. HEERACHAND: . SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:

Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have prescribed 6 day week for all the categories of CPWD staff;

(b) if not, what are the categories of staff in respect of which Government have made a provision for 5 day week and what is the criteria therefor;

(c) whether Government have examined to introduce 5 day a week for the Automatic Vote Recording Sound Staff and other allied services connected with the Lok Sabha/Rajya Sabha in Parliament House in view of both the Secretariats observing 5 day week and most of the offices in the building remains closed on Saturday; and

(d) if so, by when orders for this category of staff of CPWD for obser ving 5 day week are likely to he issued by Government?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) No, Sir.

(b) In CPWD 5 day week is being observed in all the offices except the divisions and sub-divisions. 5 day week is to be observed only in Civil Administrative Offices.